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## THE AGE OF ELECTRICITY.

Twenty-seven years ago yesterday  
Thomas Alva Edison gave to the world  
the incandescent electric light. Prior  
to that time oil lamps and candles  
were used for illuminating purposes.Today the world could not well get  
along without electricity. We live in  
an electrical age. We cook by elec-  
tricity, read by electricity, heat our  
houses, ride in motors propelled by  
electricity. Transportation facilities  
depend upon the invisible current.  
Great cars and trucks are run by elec-  
tricity; mills and manufacturing are  
operated by the same mysterious cur-  
rent, more efficient than the subtle  
genius of man, more powerful than  
steam, more lasting than the swiftest  
water power.There are so many uses to which  
electricity is applied it is almost im-  
possible to mention them all.It may be said that Edison has revo-  
lutionized the world's lighting sys-  
tem. He has also effected radical  
changes in the industries and in the  
arts.For instance, the introduction of the  
incandescent light entirely changed  
the technique of the drama. In the  
span of a single generation we have  
come not only to the development of  
the incandescent light globe, but to  
the application of electrical energy to  
purposes of every description.Edison, before he became famous,  
was a telegraph operator in Memphis,  
the Memphis Commercial-Appeal re-  
calls. He was regarded at that time  
as a crank, and by some believed to  
be crazy. He lived in a land of  
dreams. He saw with far-seeing eyes  
into the mysteries of the future, just  
beginning to unfold before him.Finding people smiled when he talk-  
ed of the wonders of the days to come  
he stopped talking. He sulked by  
himself with a sandwich and a stein  
of beer. This was Edison before he

came into the estate of the wizard.

Today, in the halcyon period of his  
greatness, Edison does not hesitate to  
go back to the days when he sat for  
hours in Leubermann's hotel in Mem-  
phis and watched the crowds and built  
his air castles.Scientists tell us that the age of  
electricity has just begun. Still when  
we reflect that the incandescent light  
was invented less than a generation  
ago and look about upon the multi-  
tudinous uses to which electricity is  
applied, it will have to be admitted  
that miracles have been accomplished.  
—Beaumont Enterprise."A dispatch in Sunday's Dallas  
News from Paris, Texas, tells of a La-  
mar county farmer who was robbed  
of \$250 while on his way to Glory.  
Might have known he could not get  
through with all that money on him."  
—Bonham Favorite.All the same, men will come and  
men will go, as they have come and  
gone for to these many hundreds of  
years, weighted down with gold on the  
road to the grave. A little money—  
just a comfortable little—is a glad-  
some thing; but now, while our mind  
is unclouded and our eyes are clear,  
before it can be said that the blight  
of age has depreciated our mental fac-  
ulties or the years have dulled our  
understanding, we want to disclaim  
any hope or desire of ever possessing  
more than enough of the precious  
metal to permit of our ordinary neces-  
sities and a few of our extraordinary  
luxuries to be realized. And the most  
blighting calamity that could ever be-  
fall us, according to our present mind,  
would be that we should ever grow  
to think differently.—Denton Record  
and Chronicle.If he expected to get to glory on  
\$200 he ought to have been robbed.  
He was no doubt one of those fellows  
who never give up a cent to the  
church, or any of the church activities,  
on the ground that "salvation is free."Wonder how many homes there are  
in Bryan that have a reading hour—an  
hour of quiet, when all the members  
of the family are engaged in reading  
something of value, something that  
will store their minds with useful  
knowledge, that will help them over  
the rough places of life. If every fam-  
ily would organize among its members  
a self-culture club, they would be sur-  
prised at the results from the very  
beginning.Every farmer in Brazos county can  
have vegetables on his table from his  
own garden 365 days in the year, let-  
her fresh or canned. Not only that, but  
cooked with bacon from his own farm,  
with plenty of fresh pork in season.  
And the best part of it is this menu  
can be varied with chickens, turkeys,  
eggs and many other good things pro-  
duced at home. A little planning and  
a little effort is all that is necessary.Tyler is to have no circus this year  
and Editor McDougal of the Courier-  
Times is regretting that he has not  
smelled the sawdust of the circus ring  
in several years.A regular gold bond  
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A. and M. football warriors returned  
Sunday morning with a bunch of gory  
Indian scalp dangling at their belts,  
and everybody in Bryan and College  
was happy.The Galveston News remarks that  
Candidate Hughes is as ashamed of  
President Wilson's Mexican policy as  
if he owned a ranch in Mexico.

## LET'S HELP A. AND M. WIN.

Saturday, November 11, is A. and  
M. Bryan Day at the Cotton Palace in  
Waco. Varsity's defeat at the hands  
of Baylor places the state champion-  
ship with the A. and M. Baylor game,  
which will be played at Waco on No-  
vember 11.The Commercial Association has  
made arrangements for a special train  
to Waco for that occasion, if a suffi-  
cient number will agree to make the  
trip. The round trip fare will be \$1.50.  
The special train will leave Bryan at  
7:30 a. m. Saturday, November 11, and  
on the return trip, leave Waco at 8  
p. m.There will never be another game  
like the one in Waco; the state cham-  
pionship will be decided, and it is up  
to the people of Bryan to go to Waco  
and help push A. and M. over.In order to secure the special train  
it will be necessary to know by Sat-  
urday noon of this week whether  
sufficient patronage has been guaran-  
teed, and to this end all who desire to  
go are requested to call on Secretary  
McElroy and advise him in the matter.  
The fare of \$1.50 for the round trip  
must be paid in advance before the  
train can be ordered. All who will  
make the trip should go to the office  
of the Commercial Association and de-  
posit the \$1.50.Don't put this off, thinking the spe-  
cial can be secured anyway, for a cer-  
tain number of tickets must be sold  
by next Saturday to secure the spe-  
cial train. If a sufficient number of  
tickets are not sold, the money will  
be refunded.LET'S GO TO WACO AND HELP  
A. AND M. WIN!

## DISCUSSION OF A NEW CHARTER.

No one desires to pay an increased  
tax unless it becomes a necessity.A new charter is not a tax-raising  
proposition within itself any such  
statements are misleading.A new charter would be submitted  
to the voters for their approval or re-  
jection and a majority vote would de-  
termine whether or not it would be  
adopted.The election on November 7 is not  
for a new charter, but to determine  
whether a new charter shall be draft-  
ed or not. We believe in a majority  
rule and there can be no test of this  
unless a new charter is submitted, and  
we believe it nothing short of fairness  
that the voters on November 7 permit  
a charter commission to frame a new  
charter, which then becomes an issue.  
The sole issue at this time is whether  
we will have a new charter framed for  
our approval or rejection. If the propo-  
sition carries on November 7 without  
a single dissenting vote, it would  
mean nothing save the submission of  
a charter at a later date, which would  
then become an issue, section by sec-  
tion.The charter adherents desire an op-  
portunity of submitting a charter  
which they believe will be an improve-  
ment upon the present system. By  
your votes you say they may or youdeny to them the privilege of submit-  
ting such a charter. Let's give the  
new charter a chance by voting af-  
firmatively. W. A. McELROY.NO FIXED VALUE  
TO MEXICAN MONEYCarranza Currency Fluctuates So Fast  
That Bankers Do Not Know Its  
Value From Day to Day.

(By Associated Press.)

El Paso, Texas, Oct. 30.—While  
nominally Mexico is on a gold basis,  
the market value of the so-called Car-  
ranza currency fluctuates so rapidly  
that few persons, even bankers some-  
times, are unable to tell what its value  
is on a given day. The result is that  
merchants' advertisements of various  
commodities give such enormous  
prices for comparatively cheap articles  
that strangers frequently are startled  
at the high prices.It is reported that the Carranza gov-  
ernment is no longer trying to force  
the acceptance of its money at a fixed  
value as it formerly did, with heavypenalties for refusal. In El Paso Car-  
ranza paper money recently was  
bought by brokers at \$2.45 for \$100.Newspapers from the interior carry-  
ing advertisements of merchants show  
how the Carranza currency is valued  
and fluctuates. A newspaper from  
Saltillo, Coahuila, carries an adver-  
tisement of a bargain sale of shoes at  
\$40 to \$60 a pair. It also contains an  
official notice that the city wishes to  
employ a policeman at \$8 a day.Another paper from a small town in  
Northern Mexico carries an advertise-  
ment of a book-seller who desires to  
dispose of sets of Herbert Spencer,  
translated into Spanish, at \$50 to \$90  
the volume, according to the binding.  
The three-volume work of a celebrated  
writer on political economy is offered  
at the cheap price of \$250. All of  
these prices are in Carranza money.  
Prices like these are frequent and ap-  
pear in advertisements in many news-  
papers.Some merchants, however, realize  
that the price of Carranza money to-  
day may not be the same tomorrow or  
a week hence, and refrain from stat-  
ing prices in their published announce-  
ments. Often the price is stated to be  
in "ora nacional" (national gold),  
which means the price is figured on  
the gold basis.The Mexican dollar, or peso, gold,  
has the intrinsic value of half the  
American gold dollar, or 50 cents. By  
advertising his wares in "ora nacion-  
al," the merchant saves himself vexa-  
tious explanations and very frequent-  
ly some money. It also means that he  
is willing to accept the Carranza  
money at the lowest current rate of  
exchange.

## WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Mrs. A.—"I've planned such a de-  
lightful surprise for my husband."Mrs. B.—"What is it?" Mrs. A.—  
"He'll be getting his fall suit out  
shortly and I've put a quarter in one of  
the pockets."—Boston Transcript.Attack is the reaction; I never think  
I have hit hard until it rebounds.—  
Samuel Johnson.Louis—"Mother, how did father get  
to know you?" Mother—"Why, one  
day at the seashore I fell from a pier  
into the water and your father jumped  
in and saved me." Louis—"Isn't it  
funny? Why, he won't let me learn  
to swim."—Puck.Oh, God, could we only keep our  
thoughts from that land of Might Have  
Been!—Francesca Miller.To restore a commonplace truth to  
its first uncommon lustre you need  
only translate it into action. But to  
do this you must have reflected on its  
truth.—Coleridge."Do you consider it wrong to bet on  
a presidential election?" "I'm not sure  
about it. But it's a great temptation."Colonail  
Theatre  
FRIDAY NIGHT  
Nov. 3Gaskell & McVitty Announce  
a Dramatization of  
Harold Bell Wright's Great  
NovelThe  
Shepherd  
of the  
Hills

—by—

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Reynolds

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Seats on Sale Wednesday.

It is one form of contest in which no  
contender is ever suspected of throw-  
ing the game."—Washington Star.That low man seeks a little thing to  
do,  
The high man, with a great thing to  
pursue,  
Dies ere he knows it.

—Browning.

"Pa, what's the fountain of youth?"  
"Must be a soda fountain, my boy."—  
Buffalo Express.Faithfulness is thine and reverence  
is thine; who then can rob three of  
these things? Who can hinder thee  
to use them, if not thyself?—Epictet-  
us."What are you going to make of  
your son Charley?" I asked. "Well,"  
replied Charley's father, "I made a  
doctor of Bob, a lawyer of Ralph and  
a minister of Bert, and Joe is a liter-  
ary man. I think I'll make a laboring  
man of Charley. I want one of them  
to have a little money."—Life.God grants liberty only to those who  
love it, and are always ready to guard  
and defend it.—Daniel Webster.First Professional Charity Worker  
(to second ditto)—"I'm feeling awful-  
ly bored this morning." "Yes? So am  
I. Let's go and mind someone's busi-  
ness."—Life.

## Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

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SECTIONS will prove most attractive.LADIES COATS, SUITS, SKIRTS and DRESSES—We are not overstocked, with  
MISTAKABLE styles and materials, but to the contrary, we were never more COR-  
RECT along these lines as evidenced by the largest patronage in our history.

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EST kinds, such as FINE ALL WOOL SERGES, BROAD CLOTHS, POPLINS and  
SILKS, in plain and combining tones. They range in price to meet the demands of the  
conservative as well as the pretentious buyers.

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skimpy kind, all adopted materials, such as VELOUR, TWO-TONED CHEVIOT, ALL  
WOOL FRENCH FINISH POPLIN, GABARDINE, BROAD CLOTH and FINE SERGE,  
not extravagantly priced but very reasonable.

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GUARANTEE ALL SILK LININGS for one year.Our prices are 20 per cent lower than some others are asking, we believe this, as  
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trols his locomotive so can  
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must pass through the  
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